

Your Broward County Solid Waste and Recycling Services

GREEN GUIDE



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For more information, call 954-765-4999 or visit us at broward.org/recycling, facebook.com/BrowardCountyRecycling





Discovery Starts In Your Own Backyard ...

Broward County is so much fun that you can be a tourist without ever getting on an airplane. With more than 20 miles of beaches, 300 miles of inland waterways, and over half a million acres of Everglades, there's adventure everywhere. But living in such a wonderful place also means taking responsibility for the environment—and that starts with protecting our water. We drink it, bathe in it, swim in it, fish and boat on it—all reasons we need to keep it clean and safe. Here's how you can help Keep Broward Beautiful.



Everglades Trek

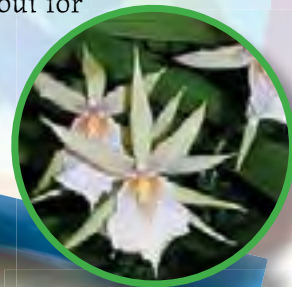
If you track the flow of water, you'll see that rain water runs from your yard into neighborhood swales, canals, retention areas, and even streets. It then flows into larger canals, and eventually into bodies of water like the Atlantic Ocean and the Everglades. Some of that water seeps into the ground, and into the aquifer, the source of our drinking water. Keeping contaminants out of

the water is key to our quality of life. Whether you're on a boat or cleaning your garage, it's important not to dump household and marine chemicals into the ocean or ground. Over 90% of our drinking water comes from the Biscayne Aquifer, which runs just under our ground surface, as shallow as two feet. Tell your parents that a free eco-friendly disposal alternative is to bring household hazardous

waste to one of the Residential Drop-Off Stations in Broward County. Many of the items accepted, such as motor oil, gasoline and paint, are recycled into new products.

For more information about items you can bring to the Residential Drop-Off Stations, see inside foldout for a detailed list.

Everglades ghost orchid, courtesy of Chris Little



Navigate Florida's Waterways

Litter dropped on our streets winds up in our waterways, too. Hundreds of thousands of sea turtles, whales and other marine mammals and more than a million sea birds perish each year due to the presence of ocean pollution and debris. Sea turtles sometimes mistake plastic bags for one of their foods, jellyfish! Imagine swallowing a plastic bag! Recycling plastic bottles and reusing plastic bags are two easy ways to make sure they don't end up on the beach. Another way is by volunteering to clean up Broward's beaches. Cigarette butts, cans, bottles, Styrofoam™, plastic bags and balloons are just some of the harmful items found in and around our waters. Discarded fishing lines and nets put birds and sea life in great danger as well. Piles of trash dumped illegally in neighborhoods is another source of pollution that can end up in our waterways and drinking water, potentially harming us and our animal friends.

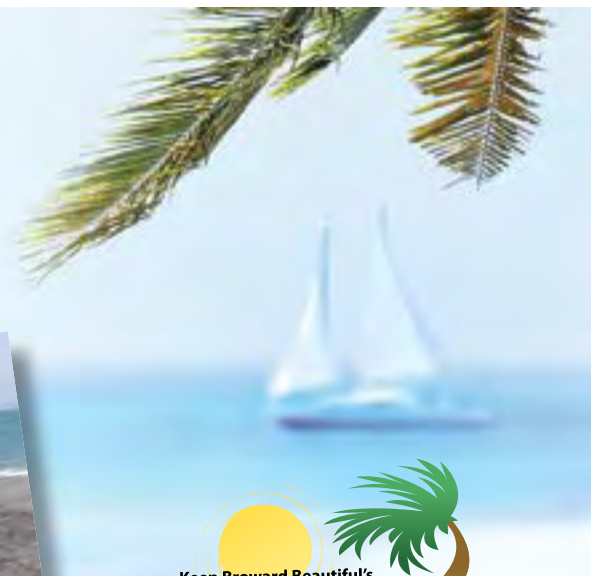
It takes just one person, one school, one business, one organization to positively impact the behavior of others. Now that you know all this, you can do something to help influence others. See the next page for ways you can get involved and help Keep Broward Beautiful!

Household Hazardous Waste Residential Drop-Off Stations Open Every Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Proof of Broward County residency required)

POMPANO BEACH
2780 N. Powerline Rd.
(North of Copans)

DAVIE
5490 Reese Rd.
(Saturdays Only)

WEST PARK
5601 W. Hallandale Beach Blvd.
(East of State Rd. 7)



Keep Broward Beautiful—Volunteer!

Litter's long journey often ends at the beach. In fact, 18% of roadside litter winds up in our waterways. The best way to prevent litter is to not litter—and tell others not to litter—in the first place. The next best thing is to volunteer for a cleanup. Keep Broward Beautiful offers many opportunities for you to help the environment. And don't forget that participation in cleanups is a good way to earn community service hours. Ask if your city participates in Keep Broward Beautiful so you'll have a chance to join in regularly scheduled, organized cleanups of the streets, schools, communities, roadways, beaches and waterways of Broward County.

• THE GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP OF BROWARD COUNTY

The Great American Cleanup® is coordinated locally by Keep Broward Beautiful. More than 9,000 volunteers joined the effort last spring to create a cleaner, greener Broward! The Great American Cleanup is an annual event that runs locally from March 1 through May 31. Find out how you can participate in the Great American Cleanup (GAC) 2013. Visit <http://www.broward.org/WasteAndRecycling/Recycling/KeepBrowardBeautiful>.

• ADOPT-A-STREET

This volunteer litter removal program, implemented in 1995, is now in its 17th year. It has grown to include 20 Broward County cities and hundreds of groups that have helped remove litter from roadways throughout the county. The program currently covers more than 220 streets and encompasses about 180 miles of city and county roadways. To learn more about Adopt-A-Street, contact the Litter Prevention Hotline at 954-474-1835 or litterprevention@broward.org.

TREK ADVISOR:

CATCH A BLUE WAVE

designated clean, safe, user-friendly Florida beaches are Hollywood, Dania Beach, Deerfield Beach, Pompano Beach, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea and Fort Lauderdale. They have been continuously certified as Blue Wave Beaches by the Clean Beaches Council of Washington DC.

It's Blue Wave Beach Time. Celebrating ten years of being

SIGN UP

Saturday, November 17, 2012
Saturday, December 8, 2012

Beach Sweeps are normally scheduled for the second Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., but dates and locations are subject to change.

The minimum age to volunteer is 8, and minors must be accompanied by an adult. A safety meeting will be held, and cleanup instructions given on the day of the event. Keep Broward Beautiful provides trash bags and gloves to participants.

Email Litterprevention@broward.org or call the Litter Hotline at 954-474-1835 to receive a registration form and location information.



Recycling Road Map

Lead the way to a healthier environment!

REDUCE: Cut down on the amount of waste you generate. Buy items with less packaging, like loose tomatoes. Choose reusable products instead of throwaway items. Think twice about whether you really need something before you buy it. Can you think of a few ways to reduce the amount of waste you produce?

REDUCE

REUSE

RECYCLE

REUSE: Reuse is when you take something that was used for one purpose and use it again for the same purpose, or another purpose. Think about ways you can reuse items instead of throwing them away. Make sure that items you dispose of get a chance at "reuse" instead.

RECYCLE: Every time you recycle, the earth benefits in many ways. Recycling conserves scarce resources such as trees, metal ores, minerals and oil. It reduces the demand for raw materials, and the burning of fossil fuels which release pollutants. Recycling also reduces emissions of greenhouse gases that contribute to global climate change.

ROAD BLOCK: Don't put needles, lancets or syringes in with your recycling or garbage—workers can be injured during collection and sorting.

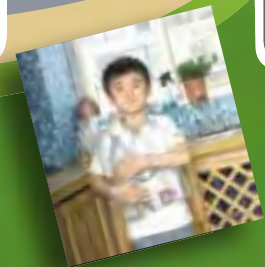
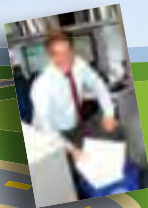
ROAD BLOCK: Don't throw holiday lights in with your recycling. They get tangled up in machinery at the recycling plant and cause delays and damage equipment.

AT
THE
PARK

AT
HOME

AT
SCHOOL

AT
WORK



WHAT TO RECYCLE

- Newspapers, inserts, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, office paper, soft-covered books, file folders, soda cartons and crushed boxes from items such as cereal, pasta, rice and tissues
- Plastic containers (narrow necks only) such as bottles, and containers from milk, water, detergent and shampoo
- Glass food and beverage containers; milk/juice cartons and drink boxes
- Aluminum and steel food and beverage containers
- Cardboard, flattened, 36" x 36" maximum

WHAT NOT TO RECYCLE

- Plastic bags
- Certain glass products including window and auto glass, light bulbs, mirrors, glass cookware, bakeware and ceramics
- Household garbage
- Waste such as gas cylinders, tanks, rocks, dirt, building debris, small appliances and flammables
- Boxes/containers soiled with food

STOP

TOXIC TRASH

- Rechargeable batteries
- Paint and pesticides
- Electronic waste and accessories

TELL YOUR PARENTS TO DROP OFF THESE ITEMS AT THE NEAREST RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTER (SEE BOTTOM OF PAGE 2).

LET US GUIDE YOU!

Keep Broward Beautiful

PUT YOUR CITY ON THE MAP

Broward County Solid Waste and Recycling Services coordinates a range of programs designed to protect and beautify our environment. From convenient drop-off sites open weekly for the safe disposal of household hazardous waste to the support of volunteer efforts to keep our County clean and green, we work hard to make Broward a great place to live.



TREK ADVISOR

EXPEDITION PLASTIC: The Eastern Pacific Garbage Patch, located in remote waters between California and Hawaii, is created by ocean currents that pick up millions of tons of the world's discarded plastic. Much of it has broken down into tiny pieces that saturate the water and become a toxic part of the marine ecosystem. Fish and birds eat the tiny morsels, and then they become part of the food chain! You can help prevent items like plastic bags, water bottles, toys and containers from ending up in our waterways and becoming a part of this toxic stew. Don't litter! It all comes back to you!

Source: <http://news.nationalgeographic.com/news/2009/07/090731-ocean-trash-pacific.html>



FREE DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS:

Aerosol products
Ammonia
Ammunition
Antifreeze
Auto fluids
Auto batteries
Boat fluids
Boat batteries
Charcoal starter
Compact Fluorescent
Bulbs
(CFLs)
Drain cleaners
Fertilizers

Fire extinguishers
Fireworks
Flares
Fluorescent tubes
Gasoline
Herbicides
Household cleaners
Insect killer
Kerosene
Lawn chemicals
Lighter fluid
Mercury thermometers
Motor oil
Nail polish remover

Paint
Pesticides
Photo chemicals
Pool chemicals
Propane tanks
Rechargeable batteries
Rust remover
Solvents
Spot remover
Tires (limit 4)
Turpentine
Weed killer
Wood stains
Wood stripper



DO NOT BRING:

Business- or Government-Generated Waste. Explosives or Biohazardous Waste.
Containers may not exceed 5-gallon in size and the total quantity may not exceed 25 gallons per visit. All items are either recycled or disposed of in an eco-friendly manner.

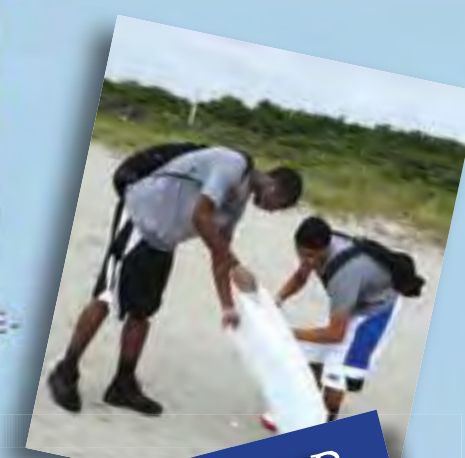
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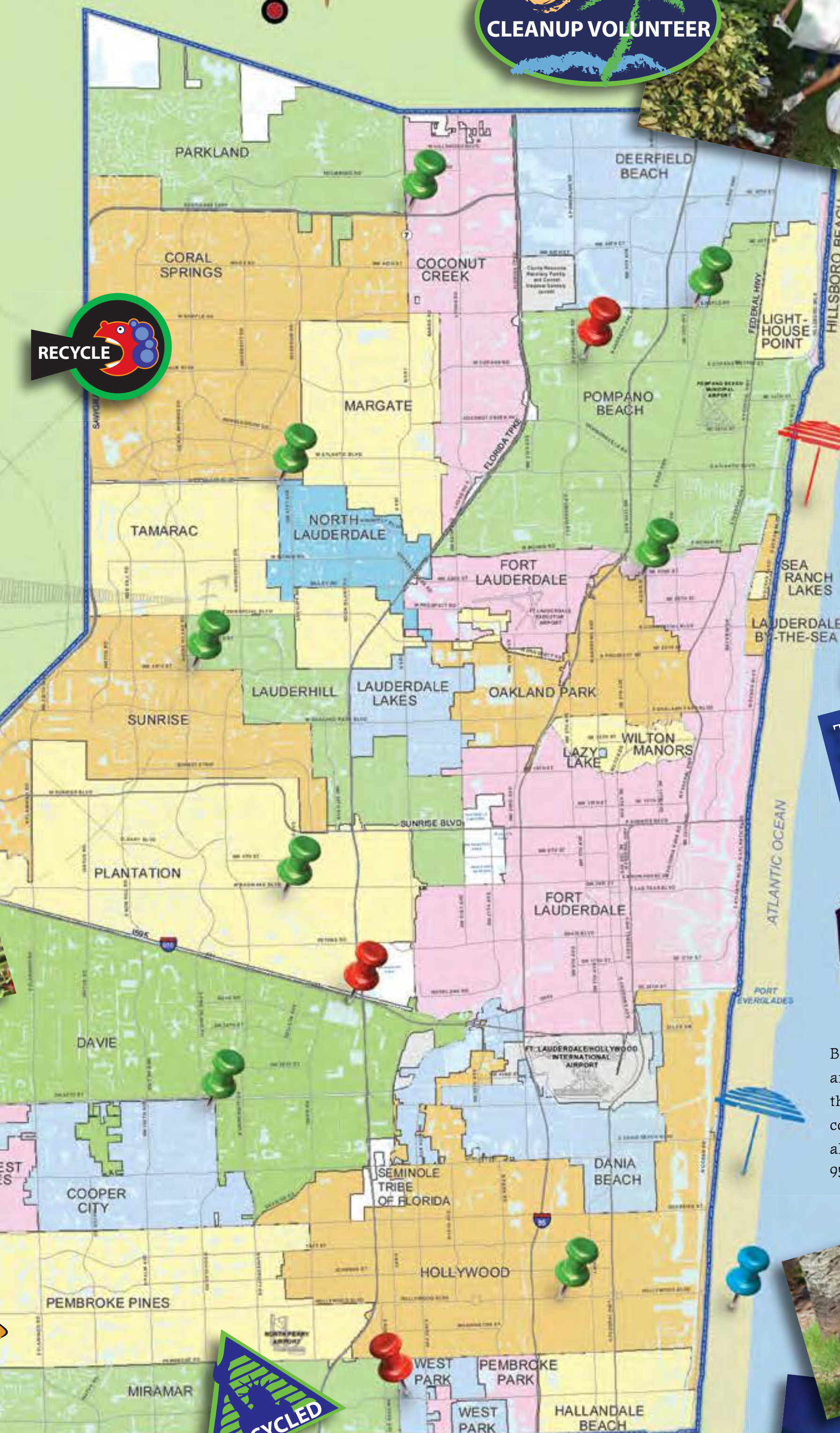


TRIP ADVISOR

When planning a day in the great outdoors, pack a reusable water bottle.



Beach Sweep cleanups are so much fun! The sun, the sand, the surf—and community service hours all rolled into one! Call 954-474-1835 for details.



LEGEND

GREAT AMERICAN CLEANUP (March through May throughout Broward County)—to participate in a city near you, contact Keep Broward Beautiful at 954-474-1835.

BEACH SWEEP CLEANUPS (monthly)—to participate, see page 3 for sign-up information and details.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE Residential Drop-Off Centers.

